Line 10-11, delete "to be returned via the upstream in direction to" and substitute -- and is returned back toward--.

## Claim 2:

Line 1, delete "characterised" and substitute --characterized--.

## Claim 3:

Line 1, delete "or 2", delete "characterised" and substitute --characterized--.

## Claim 4:

Line 1, delete "or 2", delete "characterised" and substitute --characterized--.

Line 4, insert --container-- before the word body.

#### Claim 5:

Line 2, delete "characterised" and substitute --characterized--.

## Claim 6:

Line 1, delete "characterised" and substitute --characterized--.

#### Claim 7:

Line 1, delete "characterised" and substitute -- characterized--.

Line 4, insert --container-- before body.

#### Claim 8:

Line 1, delete "any one of claims 5 to 7" and substitute --claim 5--.

Line 2, delete "characterised" and substitute --characterized--.

Line 4-5, delete --, in particular a body braking device--.

# Claim 9:

Line 1, delete "characterised" and substitute --characterized--.

#### PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING NEW CLAIM:

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#### Claim 10:

Apparatus according to claim 8 wherein the device for reducing the gap is a body braking device.

#### IN THE ABSTRACT

Delete all reference numerals in the Abstract. Line 13, insert --the-- before escape. At the end of the Abstract, please delete "(Fig. 1)".

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